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> RE: Docket No. 2005-210-E- Application of Duke Energy Corporation ("Duke") for

Authorization to Enter into a Business Combination Transaction with Cinergy

Corporation.

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Attorneys William F. Austin and Richard L. Whitt filed with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") a Motion for Clarification or Supplemental Order on behalf of Duke Energy Corporation ("Duke") in the above-referenced matter. This filing was made earlier today.

As the cover letter with Duke's Motion correctly notes, the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") has no objection to the merits of Duke's Motion or to Duke's request in general. We understand that Duke is making this request mainly so that it may replace the corporate name on various assets and business documents, among other things, with the appropriate corporate name resulting from the merger with Cinergy Corporation.

Respectfully Submitted,

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